Today's News - Friday, April 26, 2002

For those of us who can't attend the Regional Plan Association's Regional Assembly in midtown Manhattan this morning, we lead today's news with a link to the Civic Alliance to Rebuild Downtown New York's presentation. The article includes an overview of its proposals for developing not just the World Trade Center site, but most of Lower Manhattan into the "world's first 21st century urban center." There is also a link to the complete draft summary. The report is not only site-specific, but should prove to be a valuable reference for anyone interested in urban development and renewal - anywhere.

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The Civic Alliance to Rebuild Downtown New York Releases Draft of Planning Framework- Civic Alliance

"Green-Based" Urban Growth: Next Wave of Environmentalism - National Geographic

Op-Ed: Keeping The 'Town' In College Town: Increased off-campus housing pressure on universities is threatening campus neighborhoods across the nation. By Bob Karrow-PLANetizen

An unsound idea: Freeway sound walls make for a bleak commute, unfriendly landscape By Arrol Gellner- San Francisco Chronicle

Small Package, Big Ideas: Austrian Cultural Forum: A slim tower by an Austrian-born architect shows New York City a future to compare with its past - Raimund Abraham-Time magazine

Will Beirut come tumbling down? Engineers say Building licenses are not properly controlled- The Daily Star (Lebanon)

S333 design landmark building for Dutch housing development [images]- The Architects' Journal (UK)

Deadline: May 31, 2002: Design Services for Renovation of Montevideo Chancery in Montevideo, Uruguay- U.S. Department of State

Deadline: October 15, 2002: Scenic America and EDAW, Inc. Solicit Innovative Scenic Solutions to Aesthetic Issues.- Scenic Summit

Bid for Olympics Will Help Region, Executives Say-Washington Post

Commentary: The fine print on Soldier Field: Only the courts...can determine whether the Soldier Field deal is legal or not. By Blair Kamin- Chicago Tribune

Soldier Field rehab can go ahead, judge rules - Chicago Tribune

m3 Architects aims high on controversial Spitalfields site: alternative to Foster and Partners plans [images]- The Architects' Journal (UK)

[Mayor Yury] Luzhkov Promises to Give Moscow a Vodka Museum-Moscow Times (Russia)

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